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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re National Stage of International )  
Application No. PCT/US99/25984 of: )  
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**Danuvio CARRION et al.** )  
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Application No.: 09/582,825 )  
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For: NAIL COATING COMPOSITIONS )  
CONTAINING MICROSPHERES )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action dated February 10, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application in light of the following remarks.

Remarks

**I. Status of Claims & Specification**

Claims 1 - 24 are pending in the application. No claims have been amended herein.

The Examiner claims that this application does not contain an abstract of the disclosure as required by 37 CFR 1.72(b). However, this application originated from

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